

Greetings esteemed guests,

As the President of CCSU Student Government, it is my privilege to share my story and advocate for higher education funding. My name is Olanrewaju "Ola" Olamuyiwa, and I am from Lagos, Nigeria. I came to the United States with the dream of pursuing education and becoming a leader in my field.

Fortunately, I was able to secure an athletic scholarship that allowed me to attend CCSU and pursue my passion for community service, and education. This scholarship provided me with the opportunity to receive a quality education without the financial burden that often comes with it. As a result, I have been able to focus on my studies, improve my athletic abilities, and gain leadership experience through my involvement in various campus activities.

Higher education funding is critical to ensuring that students from all backgrounds have the opportunity to pursue their dreams and achieve their goals. It provides access to resources such as scholarships, grants, and loans that can help make education more affordable and accessible. With the support of higher education funding for the CCSU system, students can acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in their chosen careers and make a positive impact in the world.

I have personally witnessed the transformative power of higher education funding. Without my athletic scholarship, I would not have been able to attend CCSU and pursue my dreams of becoming a leader in my field. This funding has not only benefited me personally, but it has also allowed me to give back to the community through my involvement in student government and other campus activities.

In conclusion, I urge you to support higher education funding and invest in the future of our students. By providing access to education and resources, we can empower students to become leaders, innovators, and change-makers in their respective fields. Thank you for your time and attention, and I hope that my story has inspired you to support this important cause.